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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED 5 SEPTEMBER 2002

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 5, 2002 (the "Office Action"), please amend the above-identified follows. Reconsideration of application as the application is respectfully requested. A request for a three-month extension of time is included herewith.

In the claims:

Please cancel claims 10

Applicants respectfully request that the renumber the remaining claims of the present application as indicated in the Office Action, §2.